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11 January 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: George V. Lauder
Director, Public Affairs Office

SUBJECT: Invitation to Address the World
Affairs Council of Philadelphia

1. Action Requested: Accept or decline an invitation to address the World Affairs Council of Philadelphia here at Headquarters on Thursday, 9 February, at 11:00 a.m. or a time convenient to you.

2. Background: Mrs. Buntzie Ellis Churchill, President of the World Affairs Council of Philadelphia, requests that you brief approximately thirty business and community members of the Council on "the role of the Agency and how the organization supports foreign policy making in our government." (See attached brochures.) The Council indicated that the men and women in the group will include business executives from Philadelphia, retired business leaders, bankers and members of the legal community. They do not anticipate any foreign nationals or members of the media.

Civic leader William W. Bodine was Chairman of the Council until his death in August 1983. The new Chairman is William S. Cashel, former Vice President of AT&T and President of Bell, Pennsylvania.

The World Affairs Council of Philadelphia is a nonprofit, nonpartisan educational organization whose purpose is to educate business and community leaders about international issues. In addition to a series of international trips, the Council conducts a day trip each month to various nearby destinations in an effort to help their members understand political and economic issues throughout the world. While in Washington this time, they hope to meet with the Israeli and Jordanian Ambassadors in addition to visiting this Agency.

Previous speakers at meetings of this organization in Philadelphia have been Salvadoran Ambassador Ernesto Rivas-Gallont, Jihan Sadat, Shell President John Bookout, Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger and President Ronald Reagan. During the 1980 presidential campaign the Council sponsored a debate between the three contenders--Reagan, Carter and Anderson. As noted in a UPI article 18 October 1980, candidate Reagan's acceptance telegram came from you. (See attached NEXIS printout).

3. Recommendation: Presently no Agency component, has established ties to this World Affairs Council; nor have we briefed them before. Nonetheless, since this group is well-known and respected in the

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Philadelphia area, it might prove useful for the Agency to meet with them. Please indicate if you wish to address this group, prefer John McMahon do so if he can, or regret the invitation.

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George V. Lauder

Attachments

ACCEPT:

Director of Central Intelligence

Date

DECLINE:

/s/ William J. Casey

11 JAN 1984

Director of Central Intelligence

Date

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Director of Central Intelligence

Date

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December 19, 1983

[Redacted]
Central Intelligence Agency
Office of Public Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear [Redacted]

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The World Affairs Council of Philadelphia is a non profit, non partisan educational organization whose purpose is to educate business and community leaders about international issues. In addition to a series of international trips, the Council conducts a day trip each month to various nearby destinations in an effort to help our members deepen their understanding of political and economic issues throughout the world. Meetings with officials from Embassies and other government organizations are always of great value to our members - our groups return with greater understanding of the process of foreign policy making.

We are planning a trip to Washington, D.C. on Thursday, February 9th and I am writing to request a special briefing at the Central Intelligence Agency for a group of approximately thirty of our members on the role of the Agency and how the organization supports the policy making process in our government. We would be pleased indeed to meet with Mr. Casey or Mr. McMann if that would be at all possible and the late morning (around 11:00 a.m.) would best suit our schedule.

I am hopeful that we will have the opportunity to meet with either of these gentleman or other members of the intelligence community on the 9th. I have enclosed more detailed information on the Council for your information. Thank you for your consideration of our request and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Molly Espey

Molly Espey
Director
Travel Program

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Enclosures